

## SHIPPER WARNED OF RIVER'S NEEDS

PANAMA CANAL THREATENING  
INDUSTRIES OF MISSISSIPPI  
VALLEY.

Improvement Association in Bulletin  
Asks for Utilization of the  
Big Stream.

A message of vital importance to every city on the Mississippi river is contained in a bulletin just issued by the Upper Mississippi River Improvement association. The necessity of making practical use of the Mississippi river as a carrier of freight is brought home in a manner which it is believed will appeal to every shipper. The improvement of the levees in order that freight may be handled expeditiously when river transportation comes to pass is also shown to be of vital importance to the welfare of the river cities, and in Rock Island, where such a step is now considered, the message of the bulletin will likely be well received. The bulletin part follows:

"The time has come when the shippers in the upper Mississippi valley must seriously and immediately consider the practical use of the Mississippi river for freight transportation, in view of the effects of the Panama canal.

"Changed conditions bring before the important manufacturing, commercial and agricultural centers in the upper Mississippi valley the question whether they are to be benefited or injured by the Panama canal, or, successfully compete with the east for the trade on the Pacific coast or foreign countries.

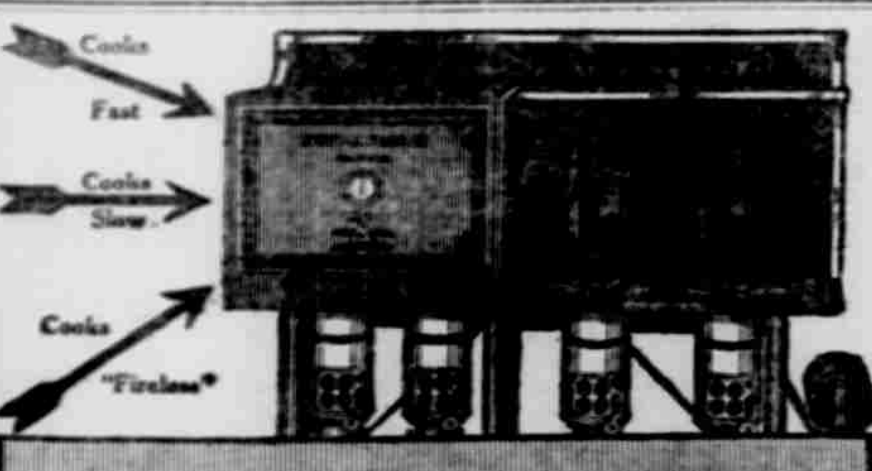
"Never before have the great industries in this valley faced such vital issues as are now presented. Due to the recent decisions of the interstate commerce commission, the changed relations in transportation arising from the opening of the Panama canal and present readjustment of through rail rates required by transcontinental rail lines in competition with the canal.

East vs. Middle-West.

"All transcontinental routes to the Pacific coast are the same on the principal commodities from New York and other eastern points as from the Mississippi river. The Mississippi valley possesses no advantage over the east on the all-rail movements of commodities to Pacific coast terminals. Before its manufacture can obtain lower rates they must pay all rail rates to the Atlantic seaboard, as many are now doing, routing their freight from Mississippi valley points via all-rail to New York, and thence via steamer to the Pacific coast; thus the east is receiving absolutely the benefits of the canal. How can the trade of the Mississippi valley points profitably do any business with Pacific coast points or with foreign countries against such odds in transportation costs?

"These changed conditions bring sharply before the important manufacturing, commercial and agricultural centers, the fact that shippers in the upper Mississippi valley must consider the actual use of the Mississippi river, in view of eastern competitors routing freight to and from Atlantic seaboard points via the Panama canal, which can only be met by full use of the inland waterways connecting with seaborne traffic. The day of potential influence of the river as a regulator of rail freight rates is passed. It must be made an actual carrier of commerce without delay.

"Unless the Panama canal is to be solely beneficial to the seaboard points, as it is now, and detrimental to the industries in the Mississippi valley, the middle west must fight for its own commercial welfare and assume its natural rights independent of the east. We can have water competition via the Mississippi river. It must be availed of, or we lose the protection required to conserve our best interests.



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## PRANKY DAN CUPID CHASED AWAY FROM CHILD ELOPERS BY A WOMAN



Grace Bowles and Alton Curtin, photographed on eloping journey.

New York, March 26.—"When love is young in springtime and boys are youthful, too, and girls are so alluring, what can a fellow do?" runs a song which was popular in New York a few years ago. Alton Curtin, 16, of Washington, D. C., showed one thing a fellow can do when he eloped with 15-year-old Grace Bowles of the same city and came to New York to get married.

The elopers had a combined capital of \$14 before they bought their railroad tickets in Washington. But they had unlimited confidence that Alton would immediately get a job here that would support them.

When they arrived in New York they had \$2.50 left, so they telegraphed to Grace's brother in Rochester for money. When they were waiting in the Grand Central terminal for his reply a woman agent of the Travelers' Aid society approached them and learned their story. The society took care of them for the night. The next day Magistrate Mayo in the children's

court remanded them to the care of the Children's society until their parents should take action.

Alton told a reporter that he was not discouraged by the failure of the elopement because when he was a little older he and Grace would surely get married. When asked who had suggested the elopement the boy showed a little reticence, but finally said Grace had first suggested it.

"But I was willing," he added quickly. "You see, Grace has been my girl for the last five years. She and I used to go to school together, and we live near each other. I used to see her every day and we went to the movies together."

Alton denied the movie had suggested the idea of their elopement. He said the plan was adopted suddenly and he quickly borrowed \$14 from a boy friend who had \$15 in bank. Alton, who looks younger than his 16 years, lives with his step-father, Edward Coughlin. Grace's father is Joseph Bowles, a Washington contractor and builder.

ment to the trade and industry of this valley.

"First: There must be many boats and barges of modern construction adapted to the carriage of large cargoes, at a minimum of cost for freight without transfer or breaking bulk, between the Twin-Cities and intermediate ports in the upper valley and New Orleans, whence they may connect with seaborne traffic the world over.

"Second: Adequate shore facilities and railroad connections must be provided by the different municipalities, in order that the traffic may be most economically and expeditiously handled at receiving and discharging points.

"These things have been carefully studied and brought to the attention of the public by the Upper Mississippi River Improvement association, and through its influence Minneapolis, St. Paul, Winona, La Crosse, Dubuque, Clinton, Davenport, Muscatine, Keokuk, Quincy, Alton and St. Louis are all moving towards securing modern municipal port terminals, in which both Davenport and Minneapolis have made decided headway.

"The necessities of the hour invite the construction of powerful towboats and barges to carry the immense tonnage in sight between the twin-cities and New Orleans. Several projects of this kind are already reported."

**Notice.**  
The Rock Island National bank, located at Rock Island, in the State of Illinois, is closing its affairs. All note holders and other creditors of the association are hereby notified to present the notes and other claims for payment.

H. E. CASTELL,  
President.  
Dated at Rock Island, Illinois, this 23rd day of March, A. D. 1915.—(Adv.)

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#### Legal.

**Executor's Notice.**  
Estate of Jacob Bruchmann, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the last will and testament of Jacob Bruchmann, late of the county of Rock Island, state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the Hon. Benjamin Bell, judge of the probate court of Rock Island county, at the probate court room, in the city of Rock Island, at the May term, on the first Monday in May next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated 10th day of March, A. D. 1915.  
FREDERICK BRUCHMANN,  
Executor.

W. L. Lindolph, attorney.

**Master's Sale.**

State of Illinois, Rock Island County.

—In the Circuit Court, in Chancery: Partition, General No. 7143.

Thomas B. Pool, complainant, vs. Alfr. I. Coyne, Foster Coyne, George Coyne, and Foster Coyne, as executor of the last will and testament of Annie Pool, deceased. Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a decree of said court, entered in the above entitled cause, on the 10th day of March, A. D. 1915, I shall, on day of March, the first (1st) day of April, Thursday, at the hour of 10:15 o'clock A. D. 1915, at the east door of the court house in the city of Rock Island, in said county of Rock Island, to satisfy said decree, sell at public auc-

tion to the highest bidder for cash in hand the certain parcel of land situate in the county of Rock Island and state of Illinois, known and described as follows, to-wit:

The west twenty-four (24) feet of lot number three (3) in block seven (7) in that part of the city of Rock Island known as and called Thompson & Wells' addition, including the estate of homestead and dower of Thomas B. Pool, complainant herein.

Provided that such bid shall be equal to at least two-thirds (2-3) of the valuation put upon the same as shown by the report of the commissioners heretofore appointed by the court to make partition thereof.

Terms of sale: Cash in hand. Dated at Rock Island, Ill., this 10th day of March, A. D. 1915.

JOSEPH L. HAAS,  
Master in Chancery, Rock Island County, Ill.  
S. R. KENWORTHY AND R. R. REYNOLDS,  
Complainant's Solicitors.

**Administrator's Notice.**

Estate of Kate B. Alexander, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Kate B. Alexander, late of the county of Rock Island, state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the probate court of Rock Island county, at the probate court room, in the city of Rock Island, at the May term, on the first Monday in May next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated 12th day of March, A. D. 1915.  
JAMES O'CONNOR,  
Administrator.  
Connolly & Connolly, attorneys at law, Rock Island, Ill.

**Executor's Notice.**

Estate of Andrew Lindstrom, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executrix of the last will and testament of Andrew Lindstrom, late of the county of Rock Island, state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the Hon. Benjamin Bell, judge of the probate court of Rock Island county, at the probate court room, in the city of Rock Island, at the June term, on the first Monday in June next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated 25th day of March, A. D. 1915.  
ALBERTINA LINDSTROM,  
Executrix.

J. F. Witter, attorney.

**Notice of Final Settlement.**

Estate of Mary Wilkins, deceased.

Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Kinney Leins, executor of the estate of Mary Wilkins, deceased, has this day filed his final report and settlement as such in the probate court of Rock Island county, and hearing on said report has been set for March 31, 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m., at which time persons interested may appear and make objections thereto, and if no objections are filed, said report will be approved at that time, and the undersigned will ask for an order of distribution, and will also ask to be discharged.

Rock Island, Ill., March 6, 1915.  
KINNEY LEINS,  
Executor of Estate of Mary Wilkins, deceased.  
James W. Maucker, attorney.

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